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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SANITIZING PERISHABLE

GOODS IN ENCLOSED CONDUITS

STATEMENT OF RELEVANCE

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Applicant includes the enclosed concise explanation of relevance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) of documents F1 and F12.

REMARKS

European Patent No. 0 284 502 appears to be directed to a helical screw conveyor inside a chamber which uses ozonated water to treat meat.

French Patent No. 2 744 920 appears to describe a method of treating bread dough with heat to reduce adhesion and a mechanical device with rotating brushes to remove the dried debris which uses ultraviolet to re-sterilize a conveyor.

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ATTENTION: OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON/DRAWING REVIEW BRANCH

The formal drawings for the above-identified application are transmitted herewith. The Official Draftsperson is asked to review the drawings and approve the drawings for entry into the file.

If there are any questions concerning the drawings, the Official Draftsperson is asked to call applicant's attorney at the number listed below.

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